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ARAB-AMERICAN-IRANIAN BUSINESS CONFERENCE IN MAINE

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1. VISIT OF PETER SUTHERLAND IS WELCOMED AS WE JUDGE THE
PROGRAM HE IS DEVELOPING OFFERS USEFUL VEHICLE TO BRING
SAUDI AND AMERICAN BUSINESSMEN TOGETHER TO ENCOURAGE TRADE
BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES. HOWEVER, WE SHARE THE VIEWS EXPRESSED
IN REF EMBTEL AND HOPE STATE/USDOC CAN QUICKLY PROVIDE
GUIDANCE REQUESTED.

2. ADDRESSEES MAY WISH TO NOTE ALSO THAT SUTHERLAND HAS
INFORMED CONGEN THAT HE HAS ASKED RIYADH ADVERTISING
AGENCY TO PREPARE COPY FOR PLACEMENT IN SAUDI
PUBLICATIONS THAT WILL INVITE READERS INTERESTED IN MAIN
CONFERENCE TO WRITE DIRECTLY TO HIM OR TO EMBASSY, JIDDA AND
CONGEN FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT CONFERENCE. HANDLING
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OF THESE INQUIRIES WILL PLACE AN ADDED WORKLOAD ON AN ALREADY

BURDENED STAFF. WE ALSO QUESTION IF USG WISHED TO BE THAT
CLOSELY IDENTIFIED WITH MAINE CONFERENCE, AS MERELY BY
HAVING POST'S NAME AND ADDRESS IN ADVERTISEMENT SUGGESTS
OFFICIAL USG SUPPORT.
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